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PIXEL STRUCTURE FOR

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231 ATTENTION BOX: AF

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2001, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-12 and 16.

13. (Amended) A pixel for imaging applications fabricated in a MOS technology, said pixel comprising:

a photosensitive element and a first transistor having a gate and a first and second electrode and being in series with said photosensitive element, said first transistor and said photosensitive element thereby forming a first connection;

a second transistor having a gate, said second transistor being coupled to said first connection, thereby forming a second connection, and said second transistor being part of an amplifying circuit; and

a third transistor having a gate and having two electrodes, said third transistor being connected in said second connection between said first connection and said second transistor;

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